

A delightful feature and an impressive part of the program is a custom which they have had for a number of years on Pioneer day is reading the history of one of the pioneer families as part of the exercises. This year it was the Arnold family, read by one of the members whose name we did not catch. [Written in pencil on this clipping at this point is the name, "Claude," i. e., it was Claude Arnold who read the Arnold family history.] It was carefully prepared and showed the vigor of those early settlers existing in their descendants, many of whom live in Wayne county and others have moved beyond its borders and are making their successful way in the agricultural, business and industrial pursuits.

Among the attendants both around the dinner table and at the service in the auditorium were those who had come from far and near. This program is carried out each Labor day.

W. E. Rude, active in the life of the church, presided, and prayer was offered by one of the deacons of the church, Mr. Perham. Mr. Curtis had charge of the music as usual and it was inspiring as patriotic and devotional hymns were sung. A violin solo added to the interest also.

The activity of the society has been considerable this last year in behalf of the cemetery association. A plan is now inaugurated by which \$2 a year takes care of a plot, and \$50 endowment left to the incorporation guarantees the perpetual care of the plot. The editor of this paper was the speaker of the day and the address was appropriate along the lines of lessons from the lives of the pioneers, with present day application of each one's duty to his home, to his church and to his nation. Cashier L. A. Howell of Honesdale National Bank was with Mr. Pennell and Mr. Rude courteously called upon him for a few remarks which were responded to with appropriateness, impressiveness and good will.

After the exercises many lingered for a considerable time renewing acquaintances, greeting old-time friends, planning for the future of the observance and making the day another delightful experience in the history of Pioneer observance which bids fair to go down thru the generations as both helpful and inspiring. "Honor thy father and thy mother" becomes a part of the attendants habits.
